

# *Weston First Selectman's Proposed Budget*

**Fiscal Year  
2019 - 2020**

Presented to the Board of Finance on March 4, 2019  
and revised on April 22, 2019

# ***Disclaimer:***

*At this time, neither  
teacher pension costs  
nor ECS funding are  
included in the budget*

# Budget Goals

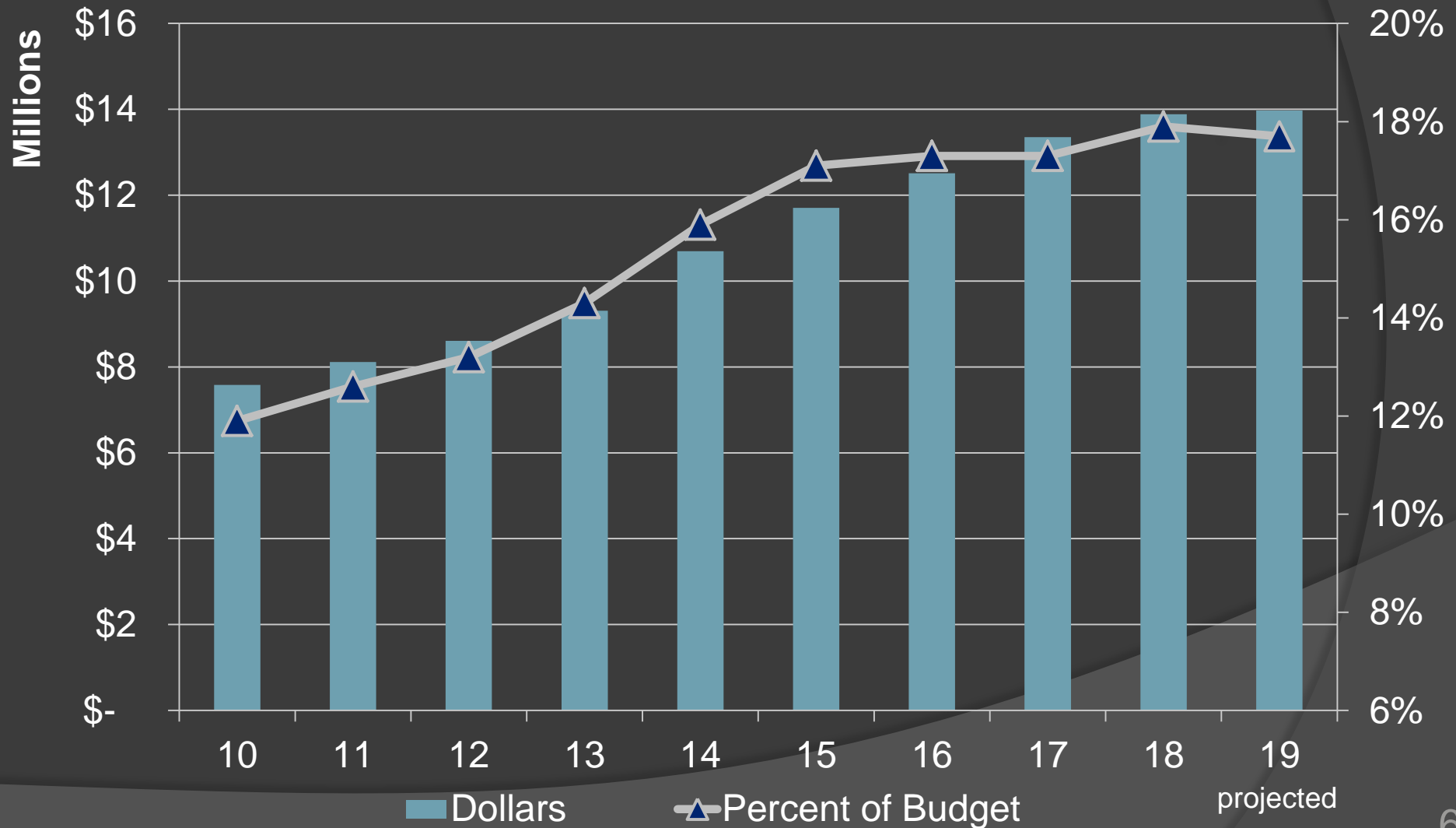
- ⦿ Try to maintain town services
- ⦿ Address infrastructure needs now (or pay more later)
- ⦿ Minimize mill rate increase, especially in light of reval
- ⦿ Budget both expenditures and revenues realistically

# ***Current FY Forecast***

	ORIGINAL BUDGET	PROJECTED ACTUAL	SURPLUS/ DEFICIT
REVENUES	71,246,039	72,216,791	970,752
LESS:			
TOWN EXPENDITURES	13,047,298	13,141,918	(94,620)
BOE EXPENDITURES	51,444,906	51,592,345	(147,439)
DEBT SERVICE	6,078,588	6,076,906	1,682
CAPITAL BUDGET	<u>675,247</u>	<u>891,247</u>	(216,000)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	71,246,039	71,702,416	(456,377)
REVENUES MINUS EXPENDITURES	-	514,375	514,375
UNASSIGNED FUND BALANCE AS OF 6/30/18			13,883,633
Projected Fund Balance Prior to Supp Approp.			14,398,008
Less: Allowance for Suppl. Approp.			(425,000)
FUND BALANCE FORECAST FOR 6/30/19			13,973,008
% of 2018-19 total est. GAAP revenue			17.7% <sup>5</sup>

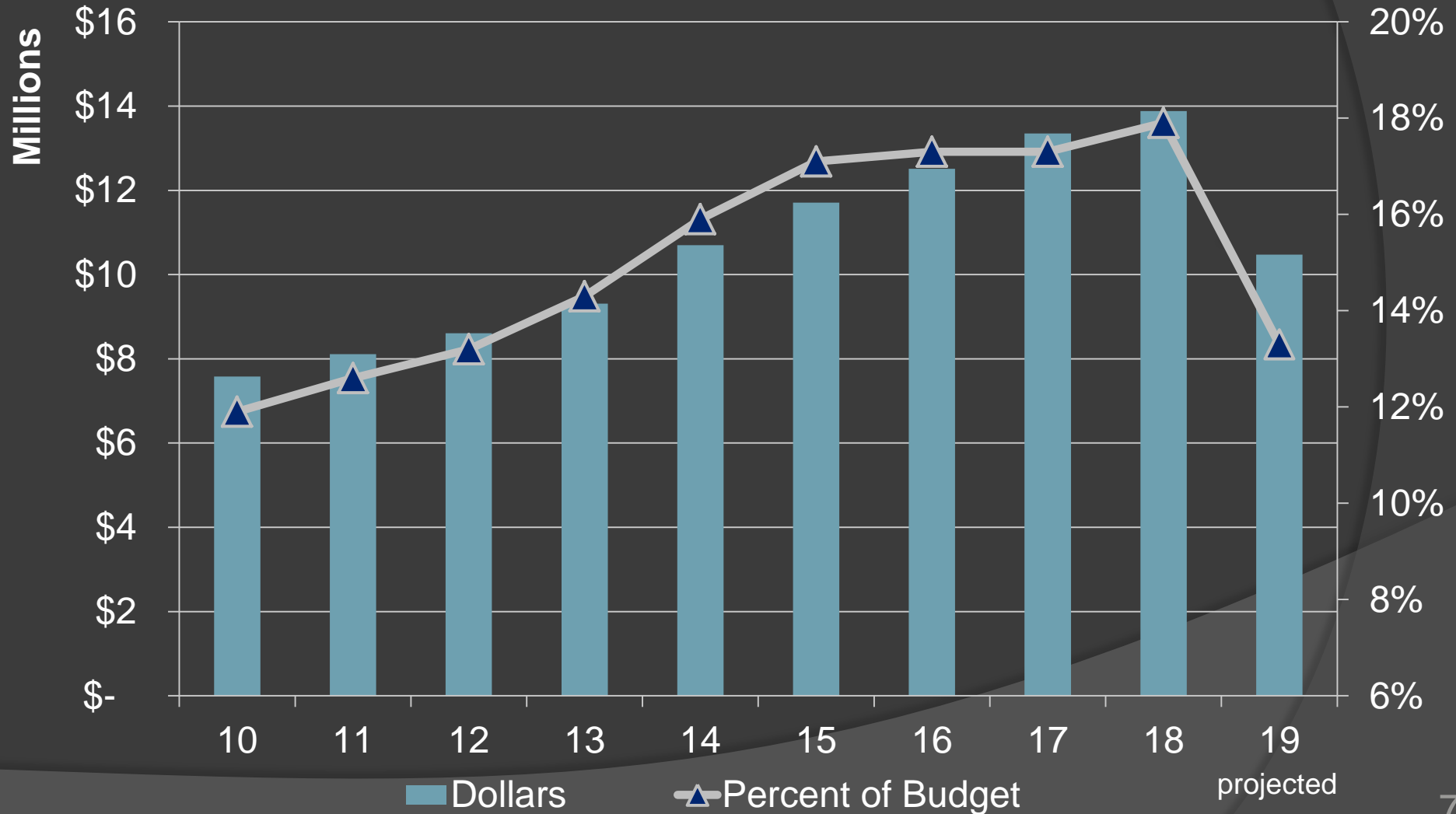
# Fund Balance History

(Fund balance at end of fiscal Year)



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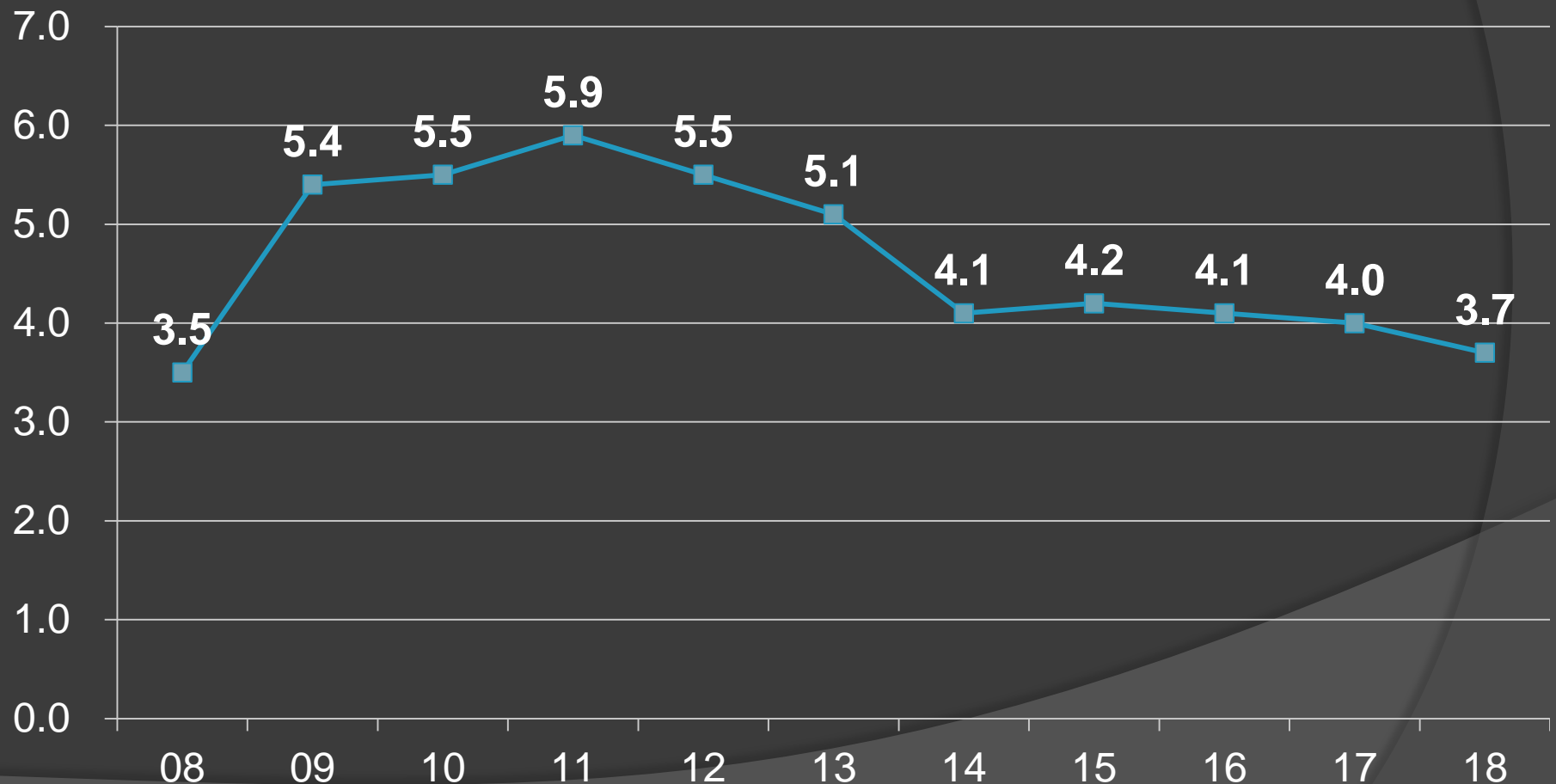


# ***Economic & Fiscal Data***



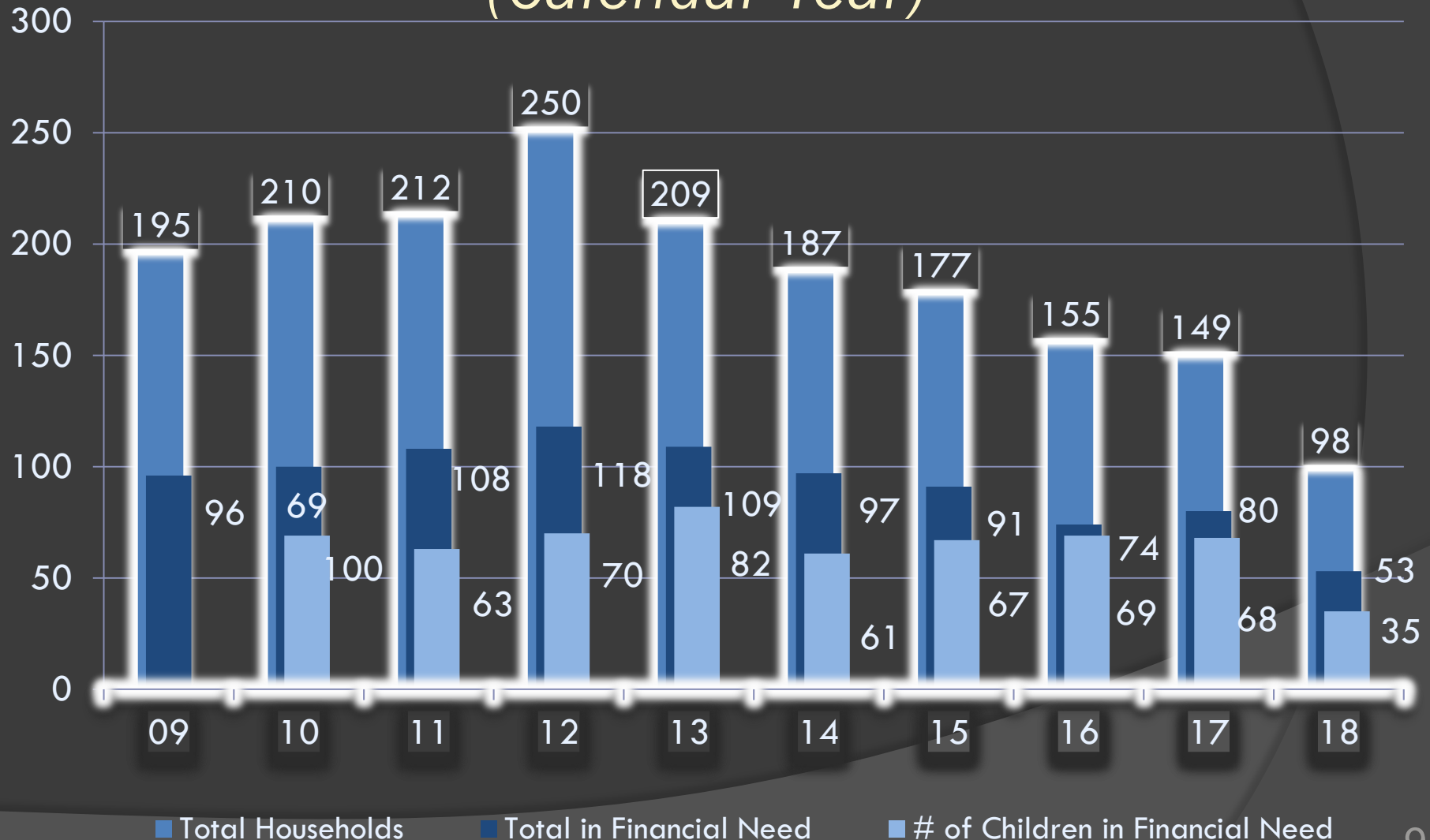
# Weston Unemployment %

*(Calendar Year)*



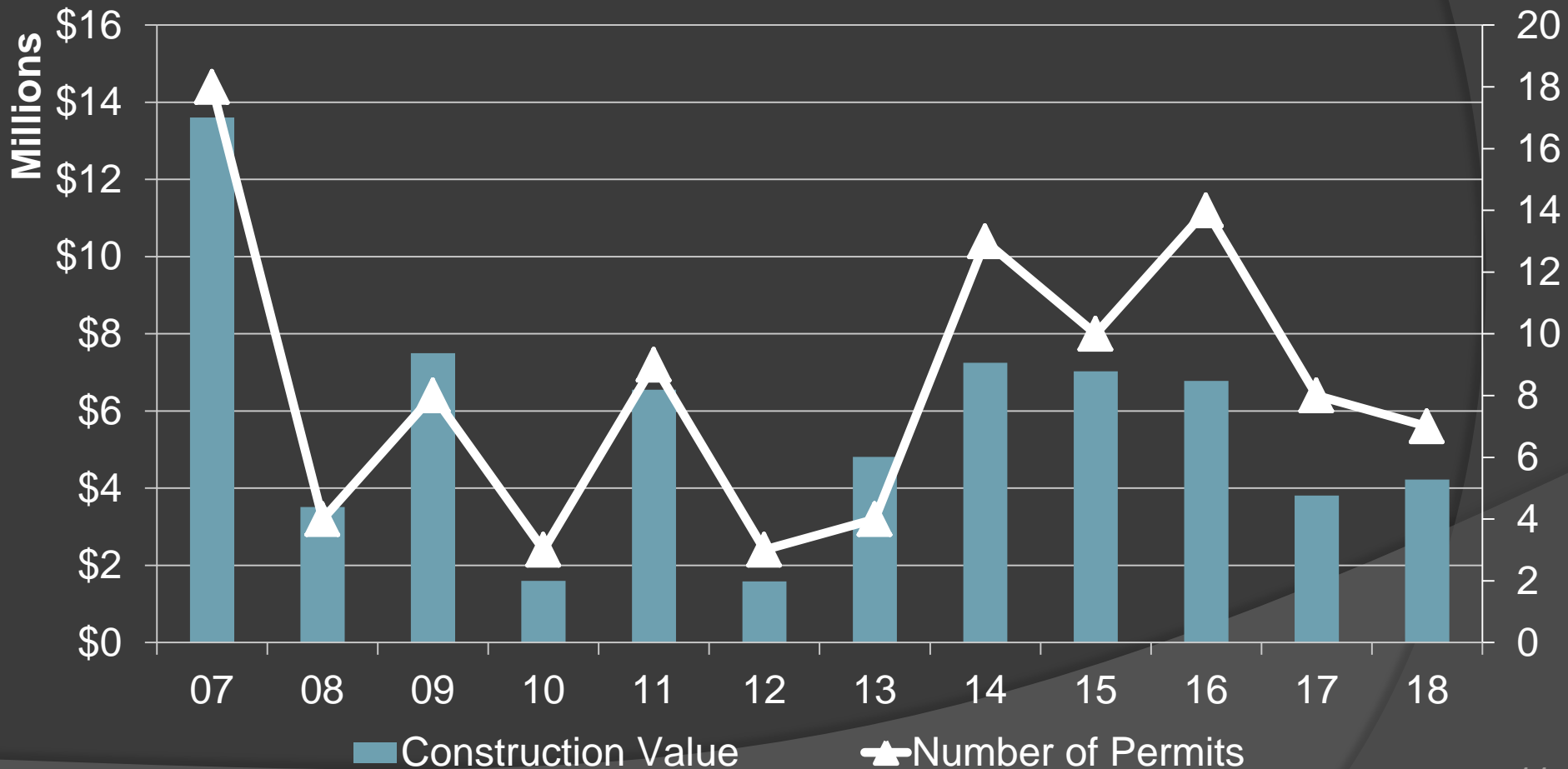
# Social Services CLIENTS

*(Calendar Year)*



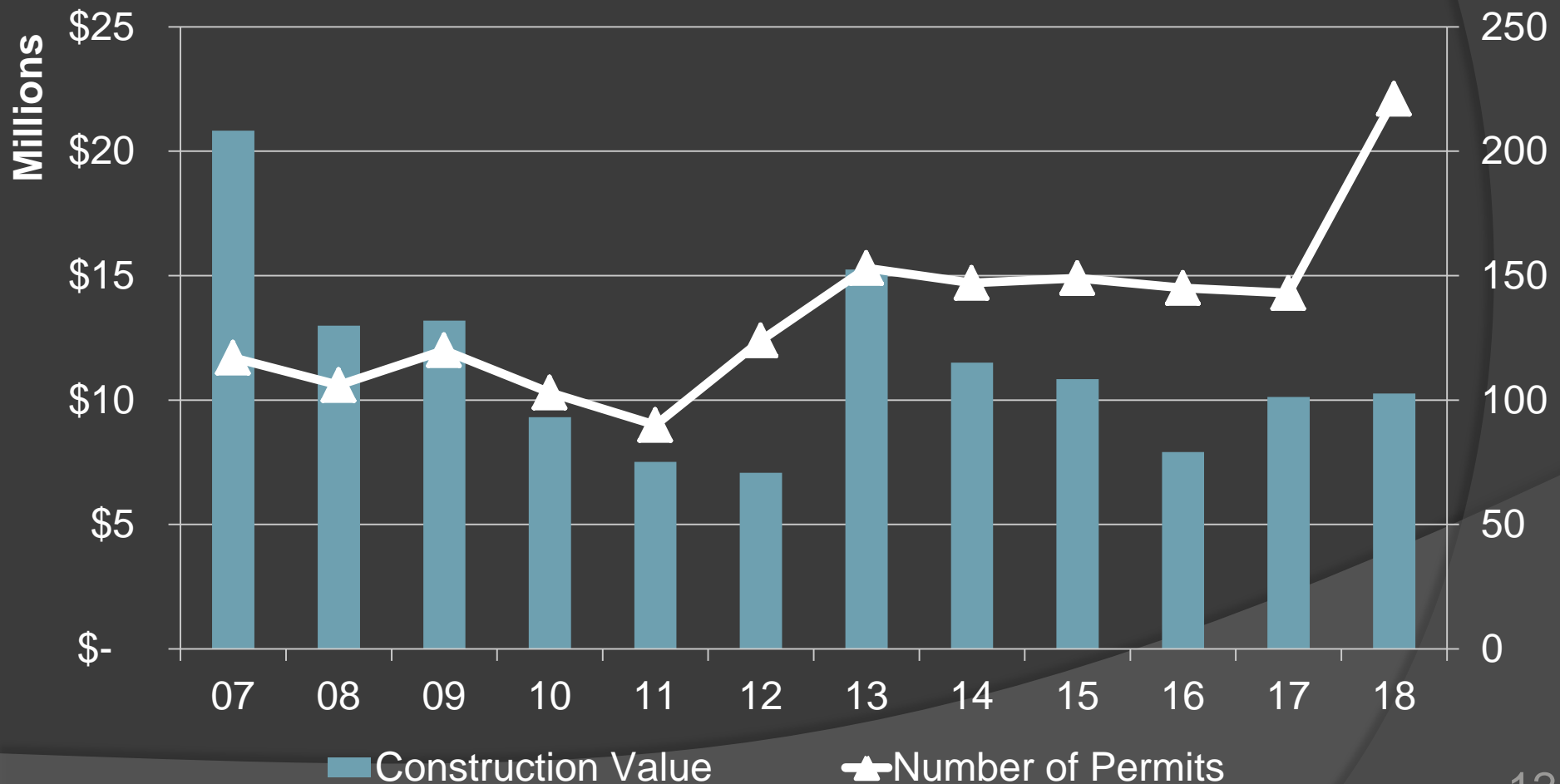
# New Home Construction

*(Calendar Year)*

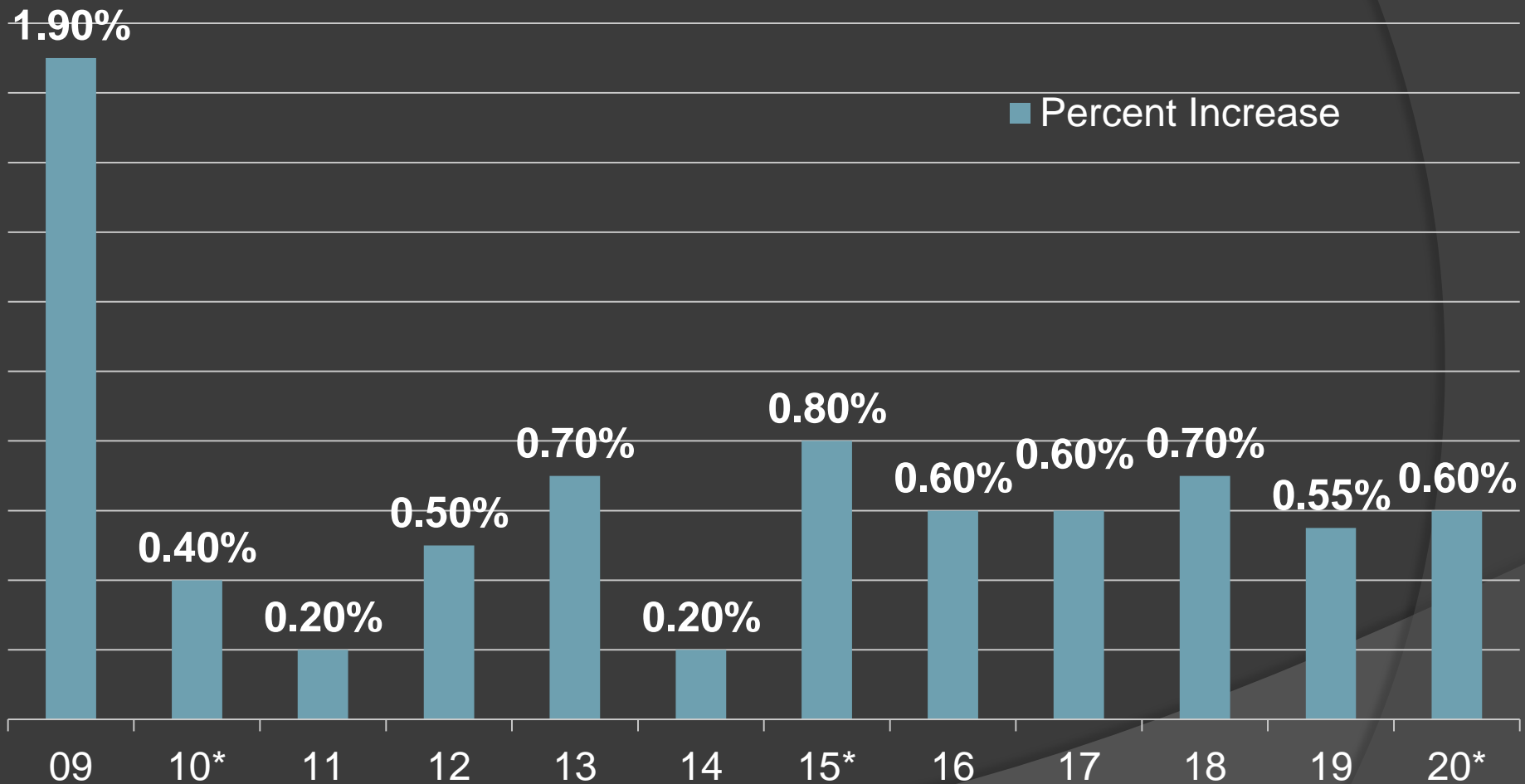


# Additions & Remodeling

*(Calendar Year)*



# Grand List Growth



\* Denotes Reval Year. Percentage has been equalized to prior year.

# Concerns at State Level

- ⦿ **Current Fiscal Year: \$245 Million surplus (est)**
- ⦿ **FY 2019 - 20: \$1.7 Billion deficit projected**
- ⦿ **FY 2020 - 21: \$2.3 Billion deficit projected**

***Highlights  
of the  
Proposed Budget***

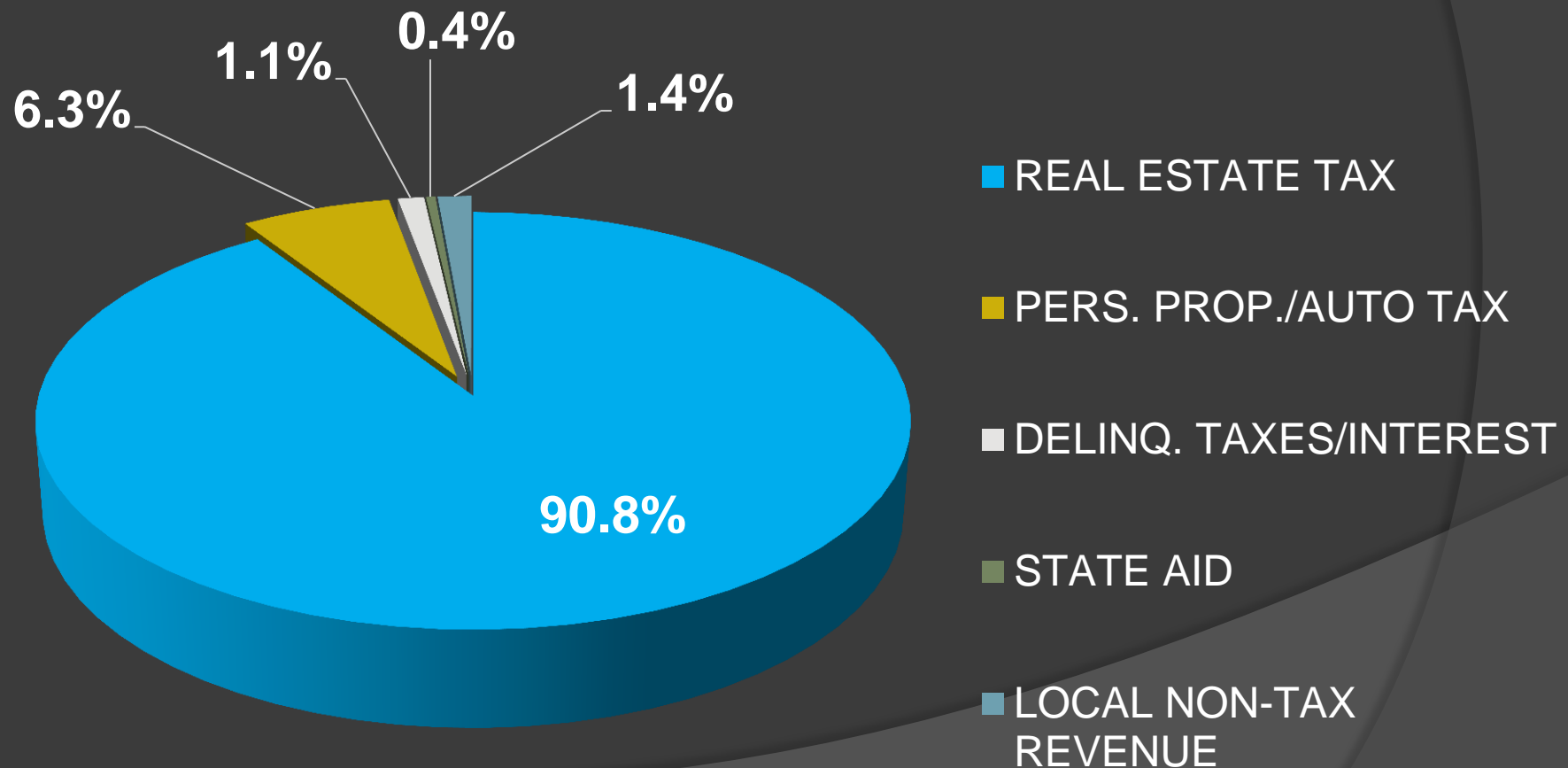
# Town Revenue Outlook

- ⦿ **Estimated 0.6% growth in Grand List excluding impact of reval (\$420k of new revenue to help offset mill rate)**
- ⦿ **Maintains tax collection rate at 98%**
- ⦿ **\$50k increase in delinquent tax revenue**
- ⦿ **\$50k increase in supplemental auto tax**
- ⦿ **\$125 increase in interest on investments**
- ⦿ **\$18k reduction in budgeted Sr. Tax Abatement & freeze (per trend)**



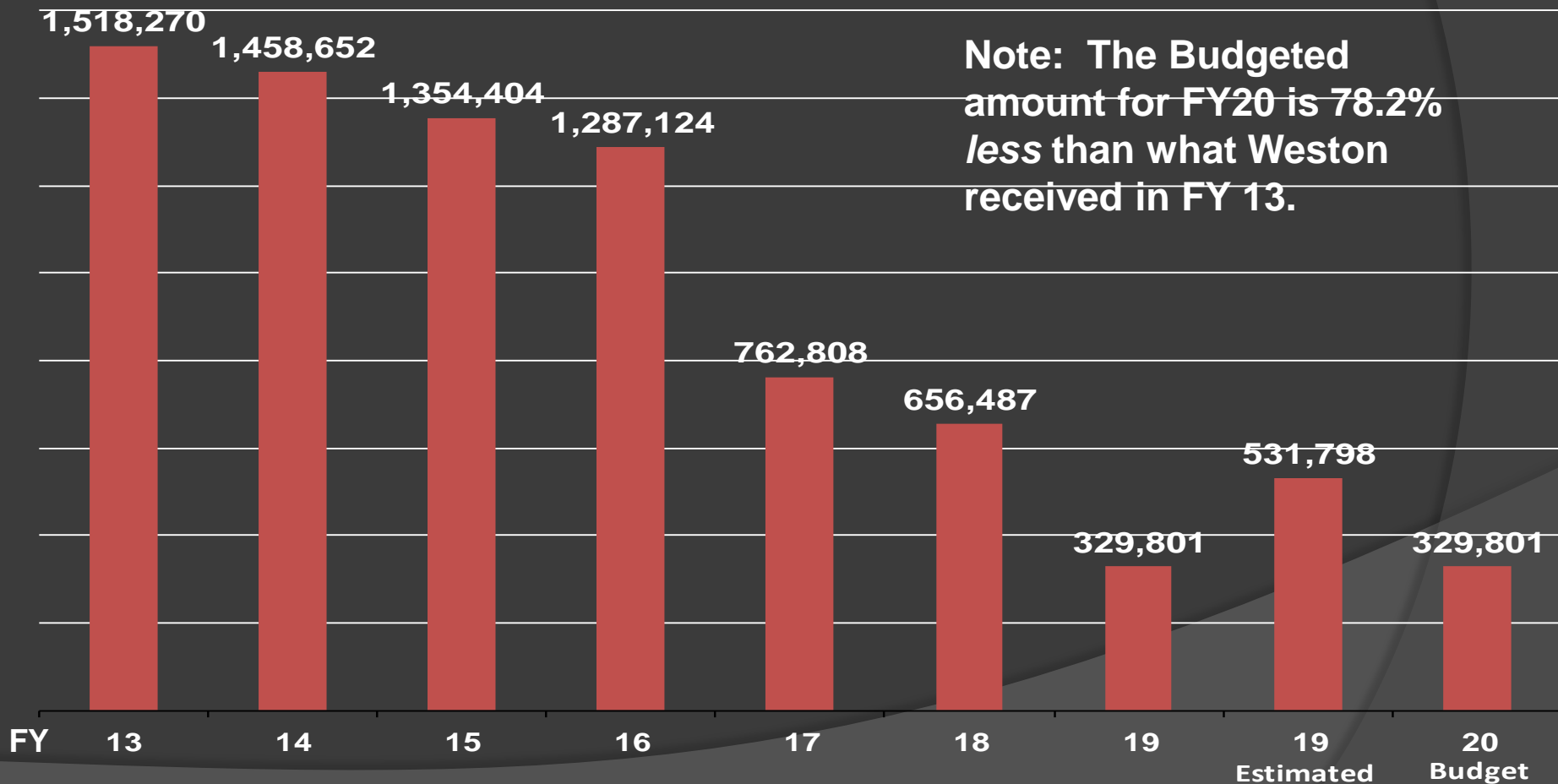
# Proposed Revenue

as a % of the total budget



# History of state aid to Weston

*(does not include BOE)*



# BOS OPERATING BUDGET of \$13,452,745

*An increase of \$405,447 or 3.11%*

**\$462,623 alone is attributable to:**

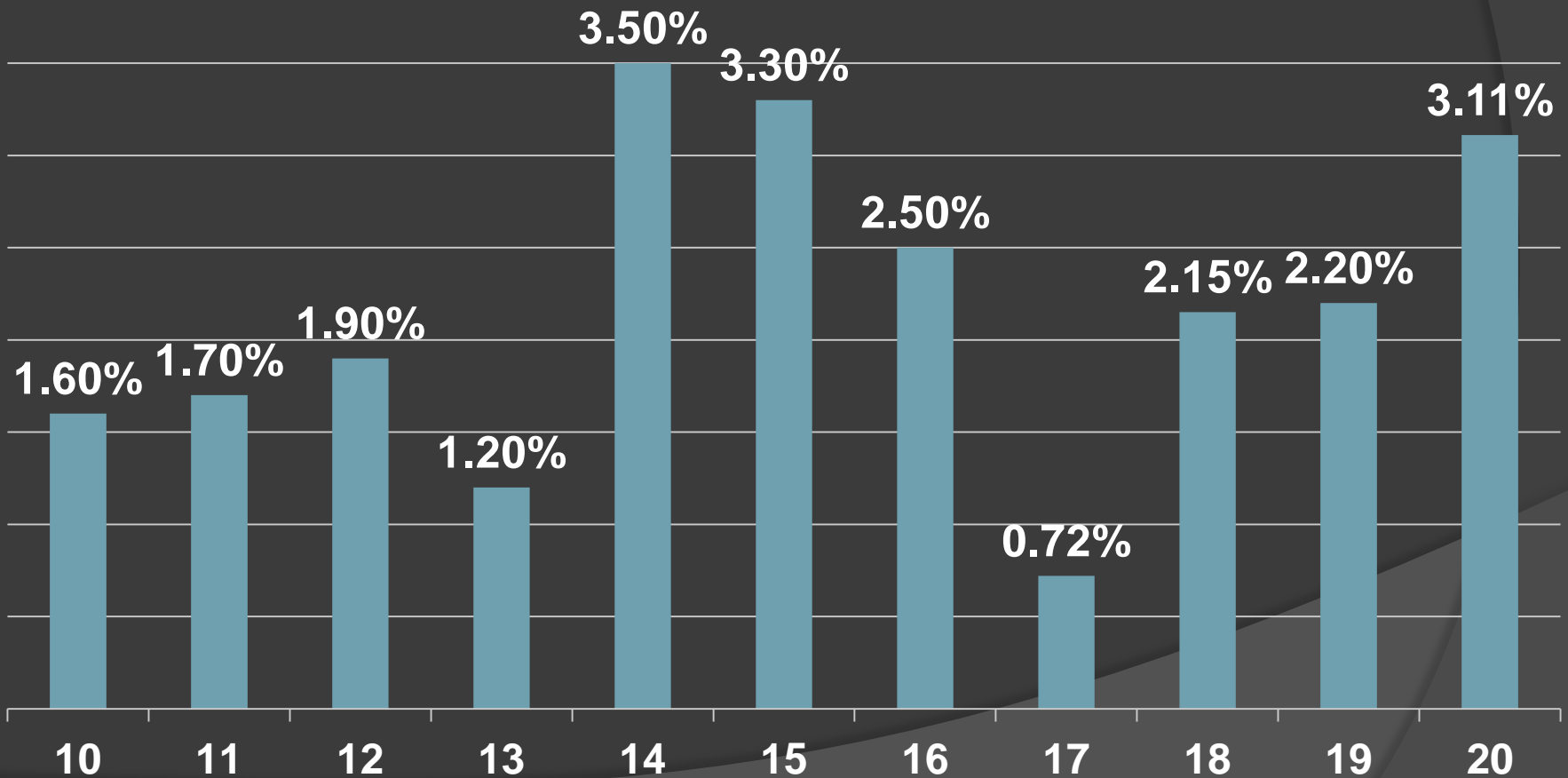
- Salary Increases - \$177,692
- State mandated pension costs - \$177,100
- New Police SRO - \$65,406
- Medical insurance increase - \$42,425

# Future pension contribution costs

Fiscal Year	Contribution for <u>Police</u> (% of earnings)	Contribution for <u>non- Police</u> (% of earnings)
18-19	17.13	11.74
<b>19-20</b>	<b>19.95</b>	<b>14.22</b>
20-21	21.95	16.22
21-22	23.95	18.22
22-23	24.90	20.22
23-24	24.90	21.79

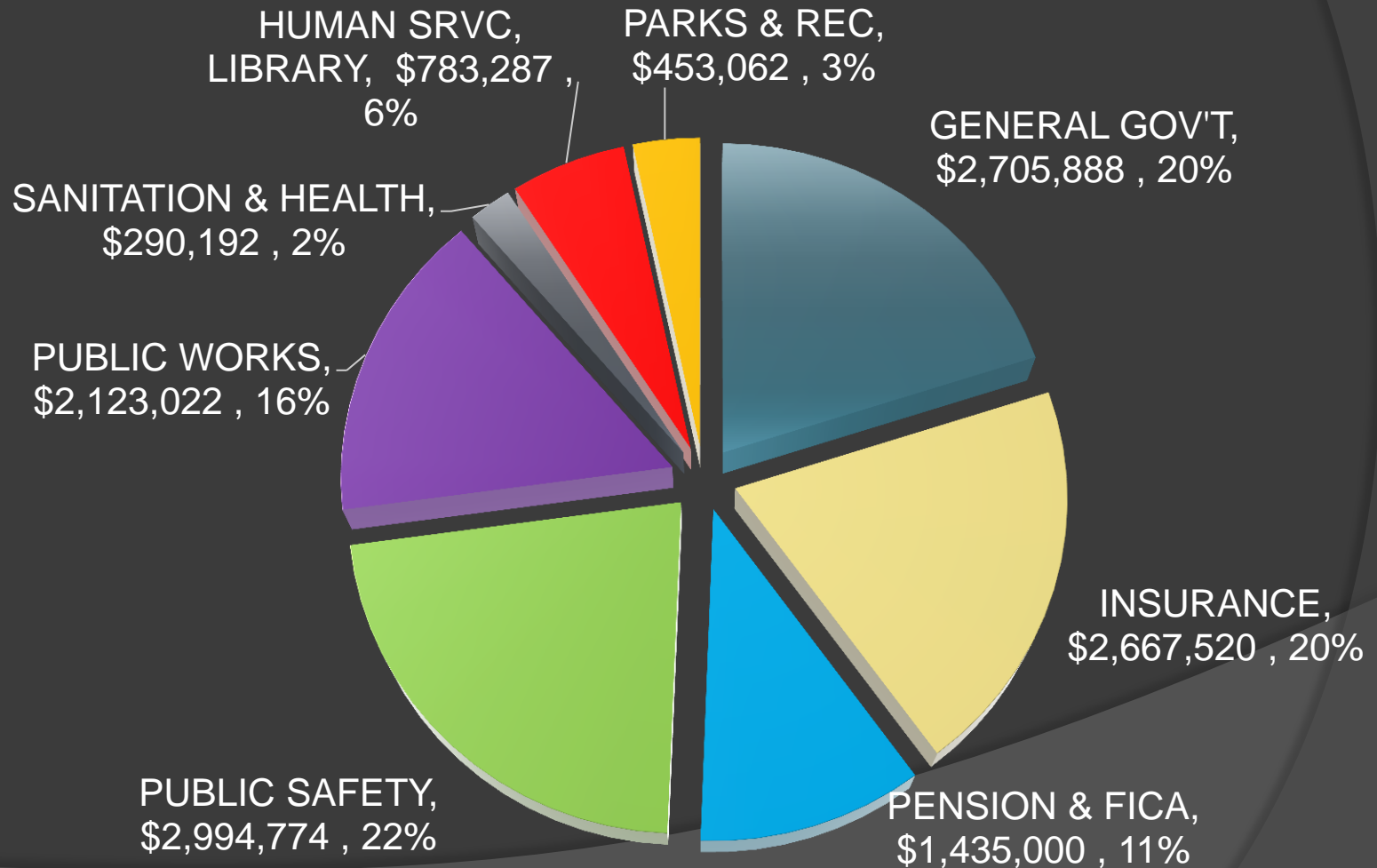
Employee contributions are generally 2.25%

# Recent Increases of the BOS Operating budget

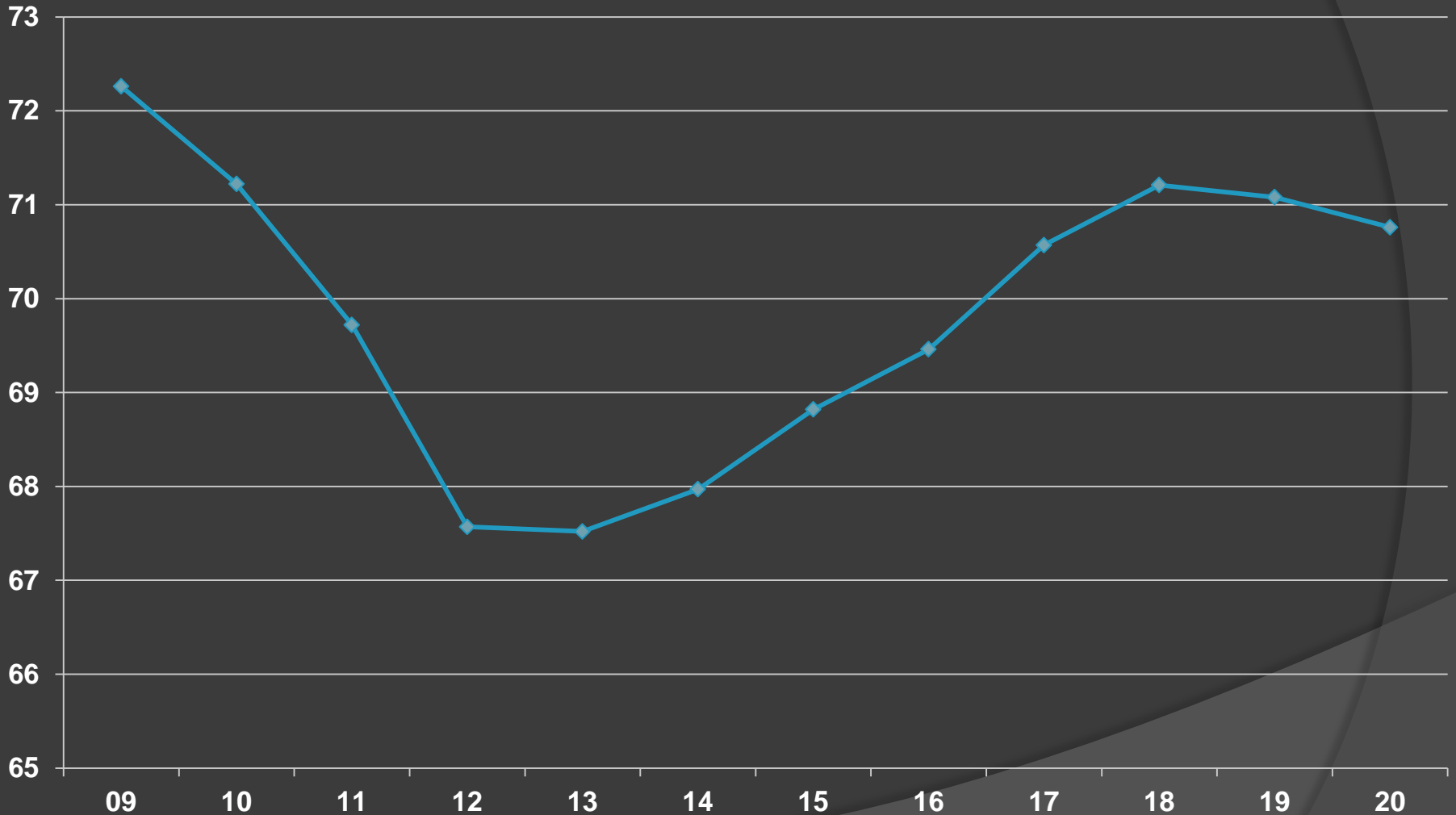


# Breakdown of Expenditures

(\$ amounts & percent of budget)



# BOS Full-Time Equivalents (FTE's)



# ***Capital Budget***



# Capital Budgets for BOS & BOE

*Funding request of \$1,826,429*

- ❖ \$470,300 BOS + \$1,356,129 BOE
- ❖ Combined, a gross expenditure decrease of \$37,594 or 2% under the current FY
- ❖ \$257,938 *decrease* in BOS gross expenditures
- ❖ \$220,344 *increase* in gross BOE expenditures

Note: the above figures are offset by \$540K of recently received school construction grants

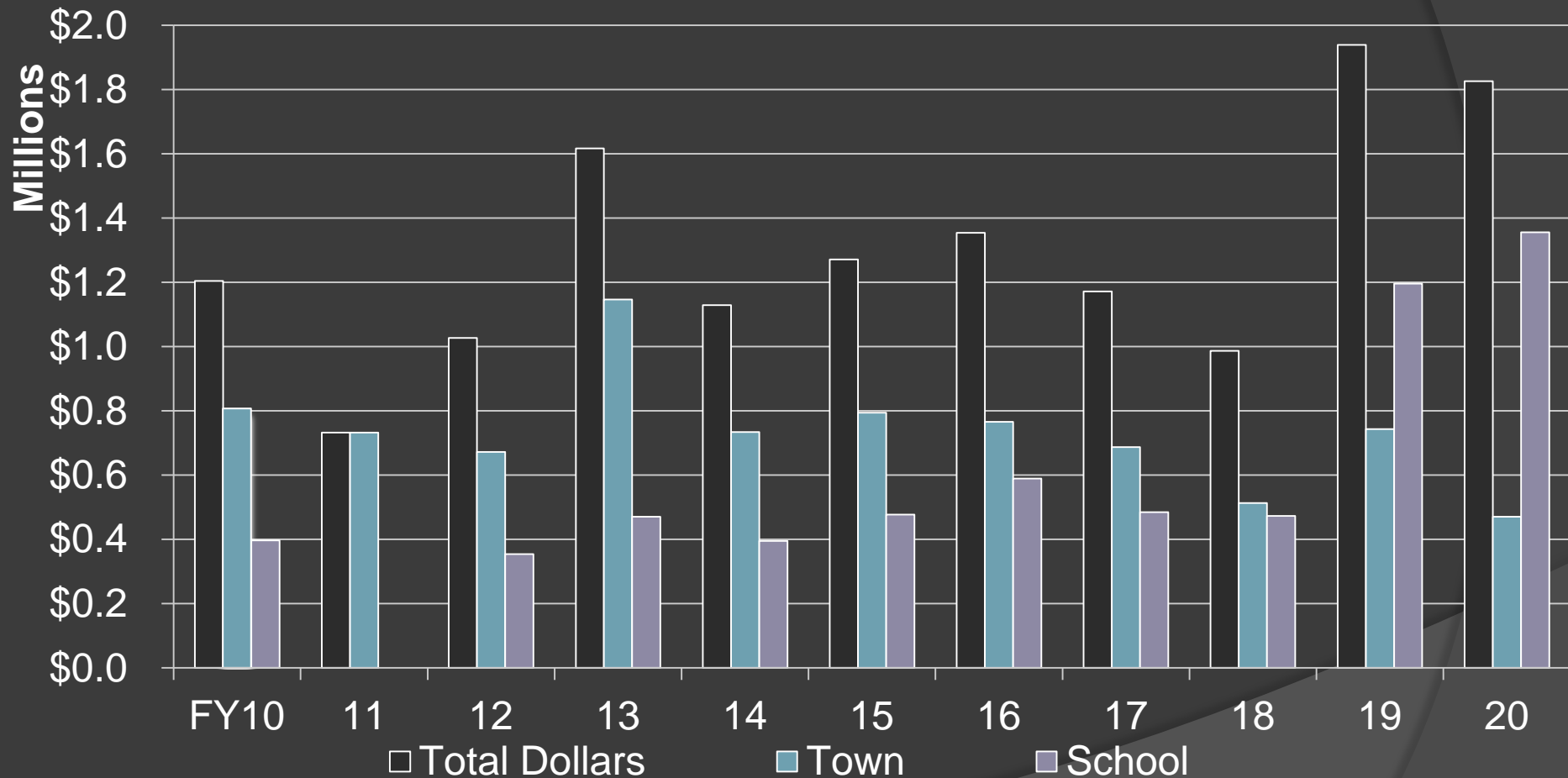
# BOS Capital Items of Note

- Vehicle Sinking fund - \$201,000
  - \$62.5k for a 10 wheel dump truck (1<sup>st</sup> of 4 installments)
  - \$55k for a dump truck (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 installments)
  - \$43.5k for a road grader (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 installments)
- \$70k for a tractor mower (1<sup>st</sup> of 2 installments)
- \$60k for repairs to Town buildings
- \$33k for transfer station scale (2<sup>nd</sup> of 2 installments)
- \$35k for an asphalt box used on potholes & patches

# BOE capital Items of note

- Security Initiatives - \$321,629
- Oil Tank Sinking fund - \$100,000
- Zenon Plant Control System Repairs - \$100,000
- Replace Chiller & Vent System Hurlbutt - \$180,000
- Replace Water Heaters Hurlbutt & WHS - \$115,000
- Replace South Boiler and Piping - \$350,000

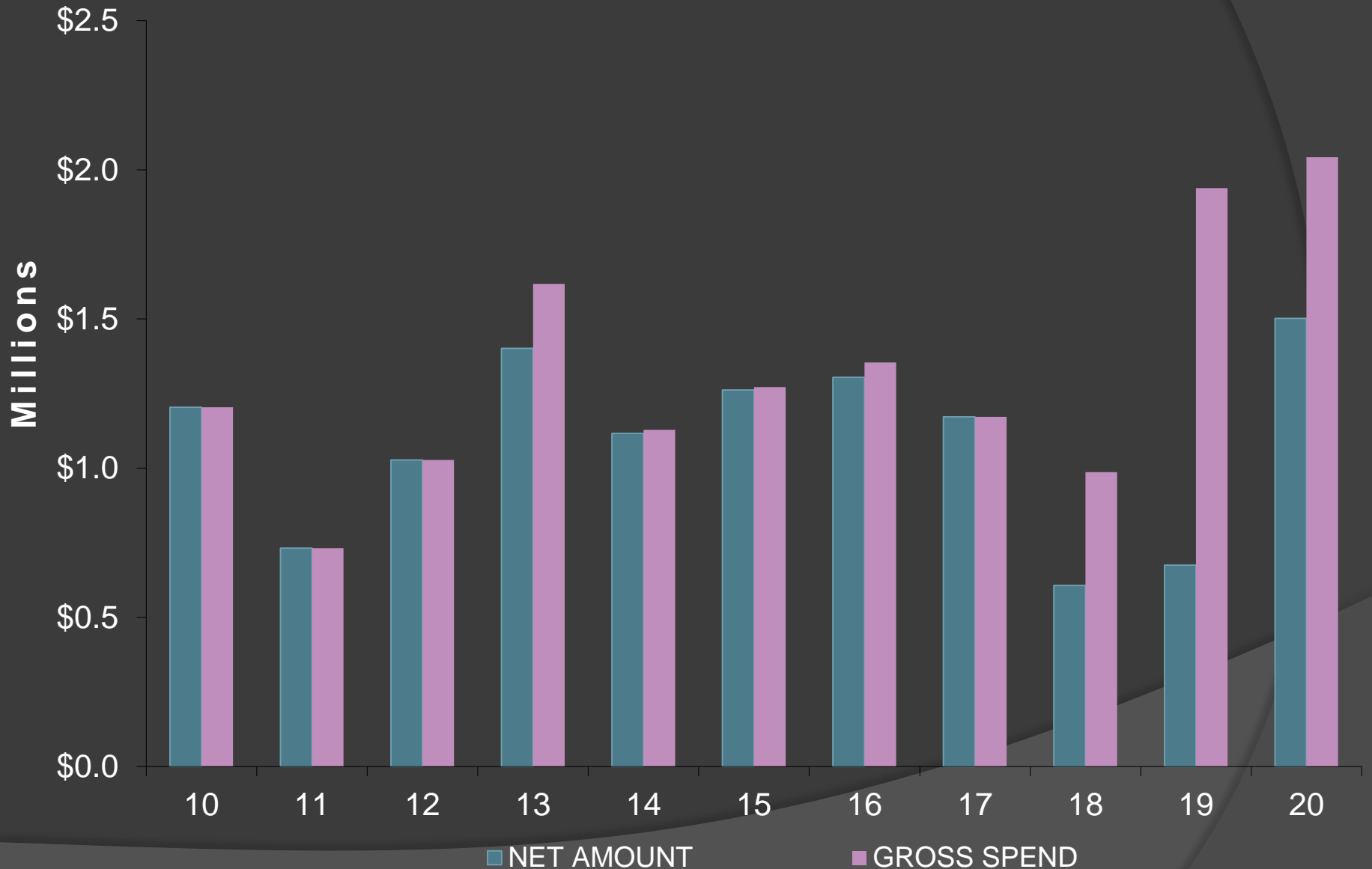
# BOS and BOE Capital History



Note: Amounts show gross capital budgets and do not reflect offsets from special funds.

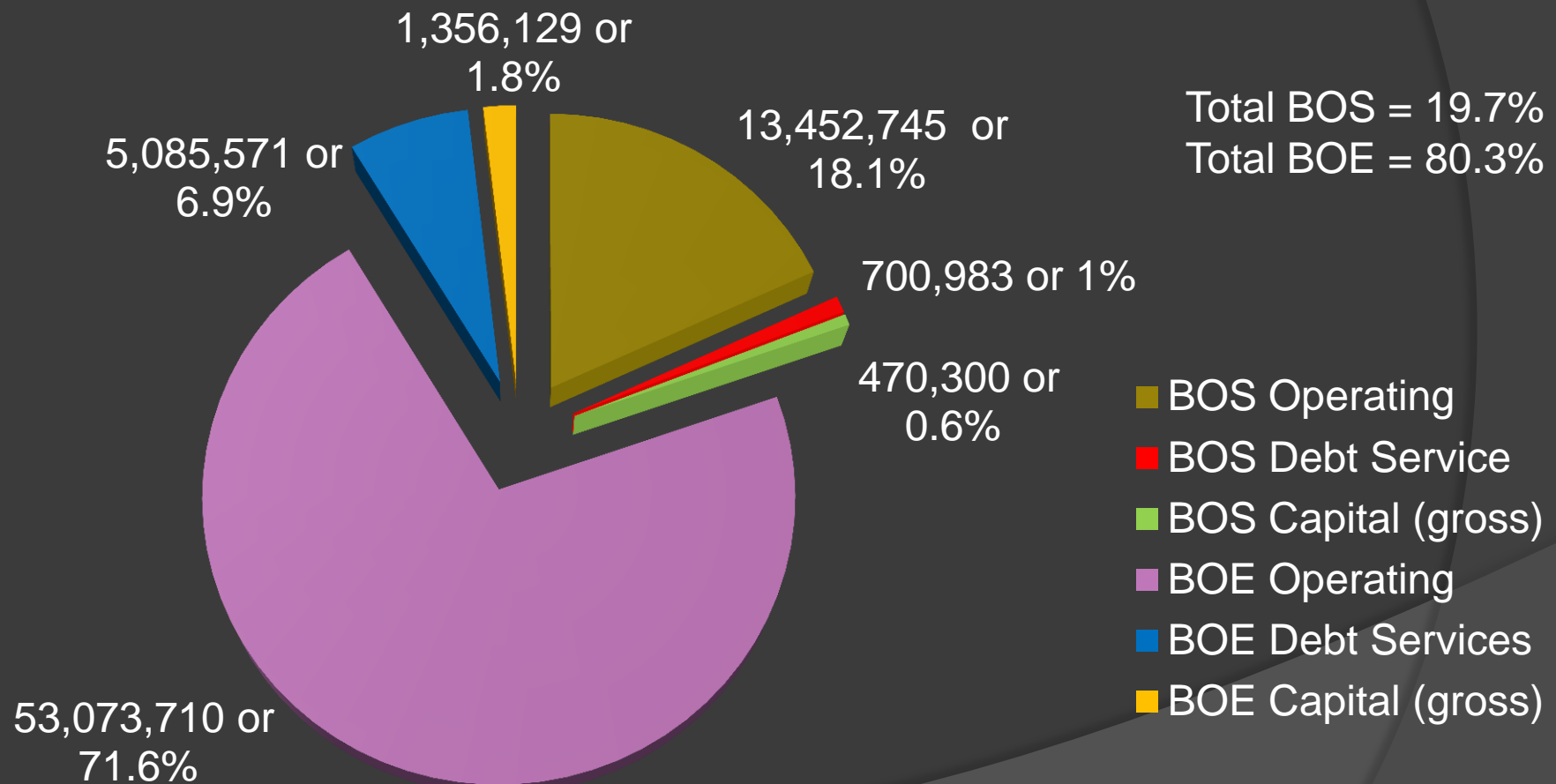
# HISTORY OF CAPITAL BUDGETS

*GROSS AND NET FUNDING AFTER SPECIAL FUND OFFSETS by FY*



# ***Total Budget (Including BOE)***

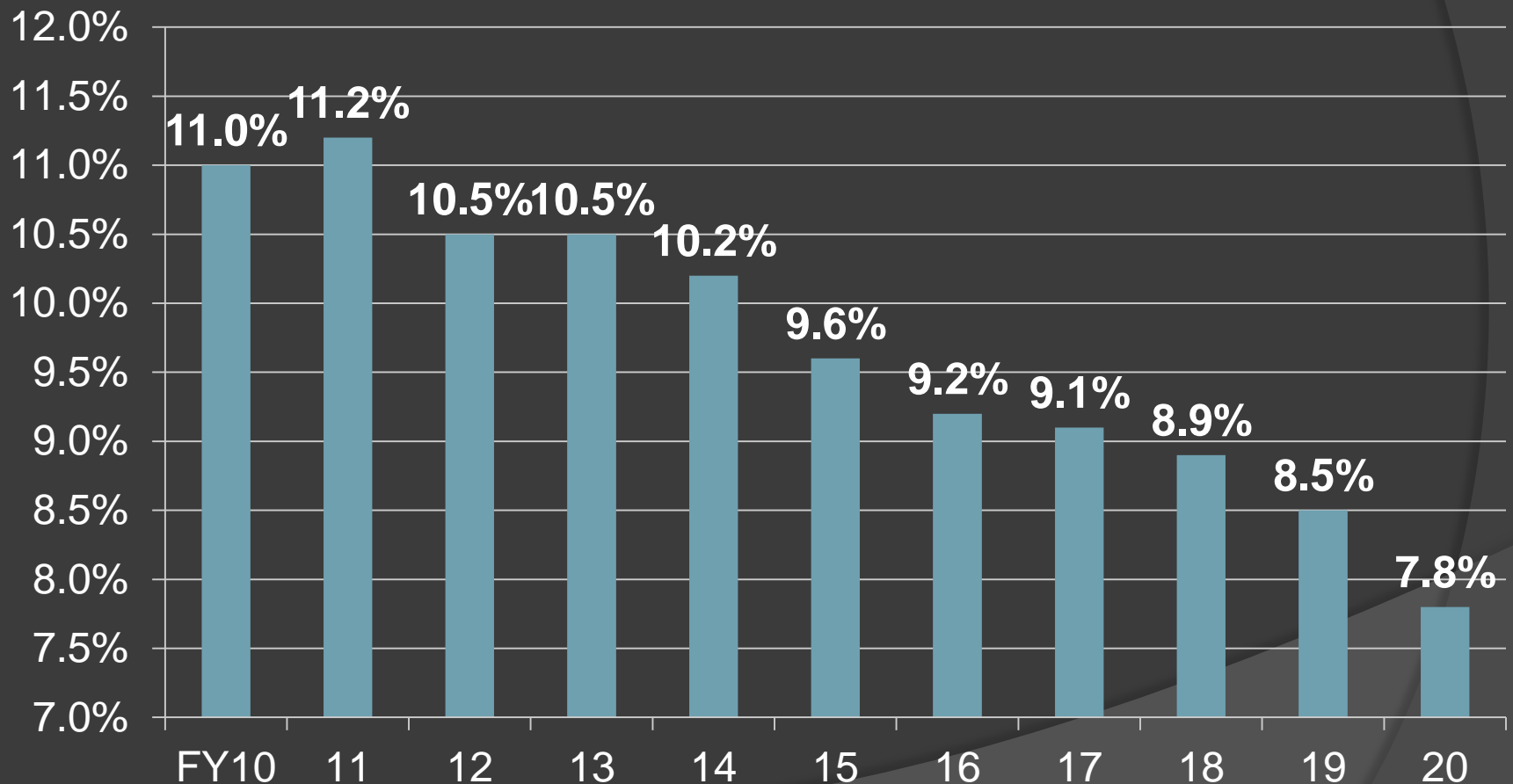
# Breakdown of total proposed BOS and BOE expenditures (in '000's)



Note: Capital amounts do not reflect proposed offset from school const. proceeds

# Debt (Town and BOE)

*as a percent of total gross budget*

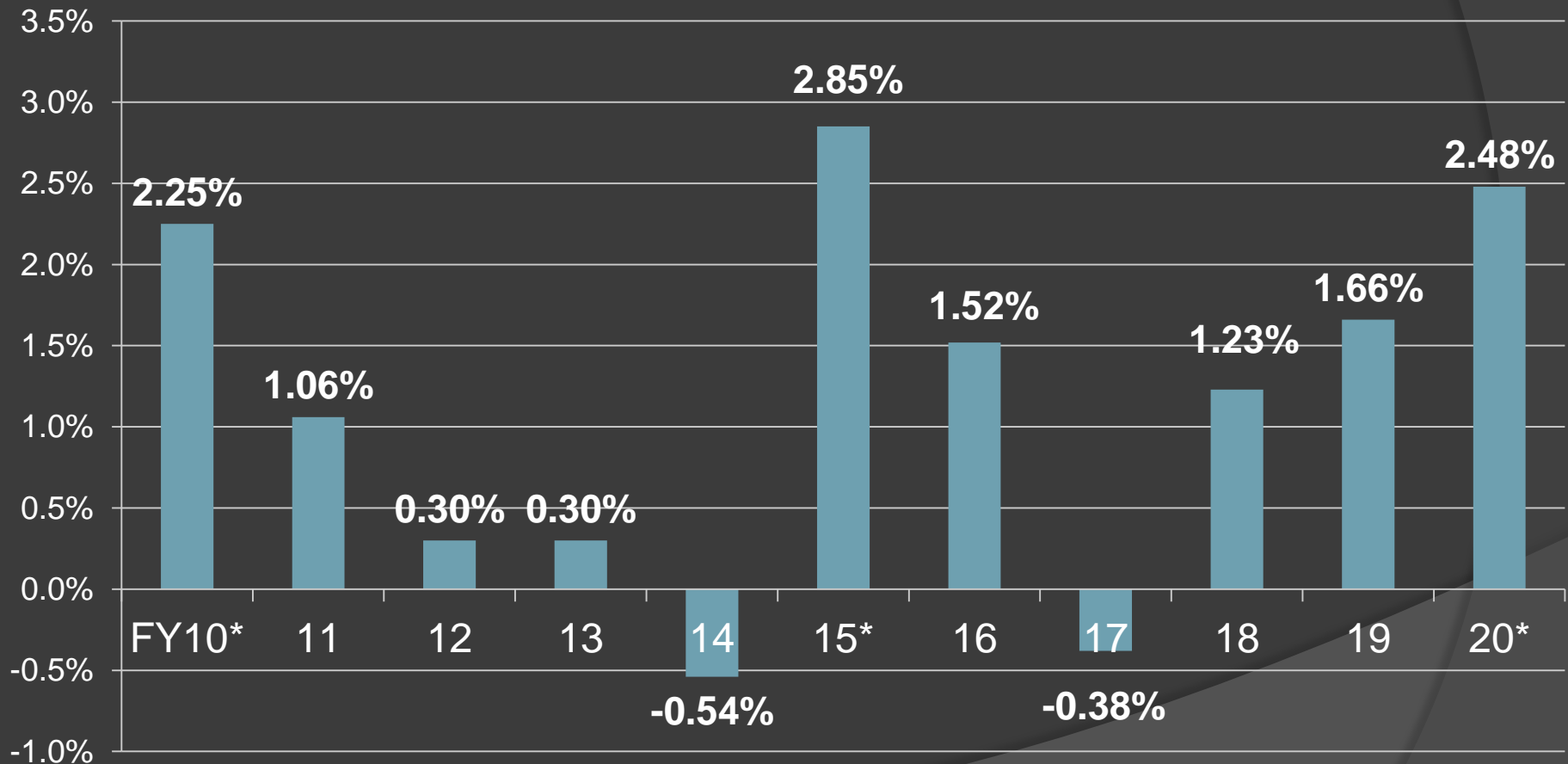


Note: Weston bonded debt per capita at \$3,375 as of June 30, 2017 is 20<sup>th</sup> highest in the state.



# Mill Rate History

(percent increase)



\* Denotes Reval Year. Data does not include revaluation impact to the Mill Rate

# ***Budgets & Mill Rate***

	<u>FY 18</u>	<u>FY 19</u>	<u>FY 19</u> <u>forecast</u>	<u>FY 20</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>FY19 to FY20</u>	<u>Change</u> <u>FY19 to FY20</u>
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TOWN OPERATING BUDGET	12,766,865	13,047,298	13,141,918	13,467,745	420,447	3.22%
BOE OPERATING BUDGET	49,907,522	51,444,906	51,592,345	53,466,710	2,021,804	3.93%
TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET	62,674,387	64,492,204	64,734,263	66,934,455	2,442,251	3.79%
TOWN CAPITAL BUDGET	513,500	728,238	728,238	657,800	(70,438)	-9.67%
BOE CAPITAL BUDGET	473,187	1,135,785	1,135,785	1,384,129	248,344	21.87%
LESS: Special Funds Offset	(28,287)	(559,444)	(559,444)	0	559,444	N/A
Capital Reserve Offset	(351,713)	(629,332)	(629,332)	(540,000)	89,332	N/A
TOTAL CAPITAL BUDGET	606,687	675,247	675,247	1,501,929	826,682	122.43%
DEBT SERVICE - TOWN	756,010	733,295	738,087	700,983	(32,312)	-4.41%
DEBT SERVICE - BOE	5,481,203	5,345,293	5,338,819	5,085,571	(259,722)	-4.86%
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE	6,237,213	6,078,588	6,076,906	5,786,554	(292,034)	-4.80%
TOTAL GROSS BUDGET	69,518,287	71,246,039	71,486,416	74,222,938	2,976,899	4.18%
LESS: REVENUES	2,379,081	2,505,301	3,090,146	2,628,901	123,600	4.93%
TOTAL NET BUDGET	67,139,206	68,740,738	68,396,270	71,594,037	2,853,299	4.15%
GRAND LIST	2,372,542,054	2,386,710,996	2,386,710,996	2,234,268,538	(152,442,458)	-6.39%
BUDGETED MILL RATE	28.91	29.39	n/a	32.70	3.31	11.26%
ESTIMATED GRAND LIST WITH NO REVAL	2,372,542,054	2,386,710,996	n/a	2,401,031,262	14,320,266	0.60%
ESTIMATED MILL RATE WITH NO REVAL	28.91	29.39	n/a	30.43	1.04	3.54%
Mill rate collection budgeted at 98.0% for 2018-19; 97.9% for FY18						
Town Capital budget includes projects that are shared Town and BOE initiatives						

# QUESTIONS

